



Wappinger Creek Week

July 13 - 19, 2008

Want to learn more about the Wappinger Creek
and how to protect it?

**The Wappinger Creek Watershed
Intermunicipal Council (WIC)**
invites you to participate in their first annual
Wappinger Creek Week!

A watershed is all of the land area that drains to a common stream, river, lake, reservoir, or other body of water. The Wappinger Creek and it's watershed originate in the Town of Pine Plains and enter the Hudson River in the Village of Wappingers Falls.

The mission of the WIC is to cooperatively address common issues that may affect the quality of the watershed.

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Week Events can be found on the
other side.



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Date & Time	Event Details
Sunday, July 13, 10am–4pm	The Village of Wappingers Falls “Picnic in the Park” - Join us, at Meiser Park in the Village of Wappinger Falls, as we kick off Creek Week. Throughout the day WIC volunteers and staff of Cornell Cooperative Extension will be leading environmentally themed games for youth. The parade begins at 1pm. Be sure to get a good seat to watch for the “Wappinger Creek Week” float. Also visit the Meiser Homestead porch to see the WIC Watershed Display and learn more about what you can do to protect local water resources.
Sunday, July 13, 2-4pm	Nancy Casteldo, author of River Wild: An Activity Guide to North American Rivers. —Come meet the author of this fantastic book that teaches children about rivers and empowers them to do something to protect our valuable water resources. Nancy will be located on the porch of the Meiser Homestead at Meiser Park in the Village of Wappingers Falls.
Friday, July 18, 5-6:30 & 7-9pm	Creek Walk and Movie Night at the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies — From 5-6:30pm join Cary Institute educators for a walk along the Wappinger Creek. Enjoy sampling for macroinvertebrates and discussing water quality issues. Then from 7-9pm , in homage to the days of the double feature, we will be showing a short animated film, <i>Dr. Seuss’s The Lorax</i> , followed by the main feature, the documentary <i>Swim for the River</i> . The Cary Institute is located at 2801 Sharon Turnpike, Millbrook, NY. Please RSVP at 845-677-8223.
Saturday, July 19, 3-5pm	Nature Walk at the headwaters of Wappinger Creek, Thompson’s Pond —Join us, and Gretchen Stevens of Hudsonia, as we explore the area where the creek begins, the headwaters, and learn more about the uniqueness of Thompson’s Pond and the surrounding area. The trail head is located on Lake Road in Pine Plains, approximately 1.6 miles from Route 82. For more information and to RSVP, contact 845-677-8223.
Throughout the week	Town Recreation Programs —Staff of Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County and WIC volunteers will be leading creek themed activities in four of the local Town Recreation Programs.
Throughout the week	Local Library Displays —Many of the libraries in the watershed will be organizing book displays to promote and educate their patrons about creeks, streams, watersheds, and other water resources. Call your local library to see if they are involved.

For more information about any of these events, including directions or to RSVP, please contact Carolyn at (845) 677-8223 or cak97@cornell.edu